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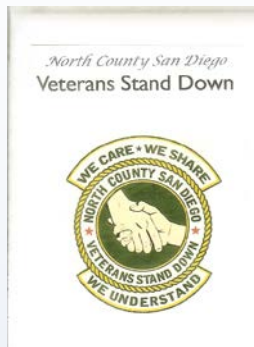


You may have noted that we have a new name, **Packard Club of San Diego**, and our club is now a region of Packard Automobile Classics (PAC). Before we go any further, that is all that has changed! Everything else is the same as far as our Board of Directors and club activities are concerned. You will, however be receiving PAC National Magazine, *The Packard Cormorant* four times a year and the monthly *Cormorant News Bulletin* containing useful information about the club, technical articles, parts, as well reports on National Organization meetings and much more. **Membership applications are on page 10 and 11. If you have not renewed yet, now is the time. We don't want to lose you and have you miss out on the fun!**

Please check your club's **NEW** website for more news and activities of your Packard Club of San Diego. Go to [www.packardsandiego.com](http://www.packardsandiego.com) and check it out. For more exciting reading and information, go to the National PAC Website at [www.packardclub.org](http://www.packardclub.org)

# NORTH COUNTY SAN DIEGO VETERANS STAND DOWN JANUARY 27, 2018

RICHARD SCHAUER



The mission statement of this fine event is **“To raise community, connect them with needed service providers, and end veteran homelessness in North County San Diego”**. This is not like any community outreach event we have ever supported. Not chiefly a fund raiser, the focus is a hands-on approach to helping veterans one at a time. Services provided include showers, haircuts, meals, clothing, hygiene kits, counseling, spiritual guidance, medical and Dental exams and treatment, temporary housing for the event, housing assistance, nutritional counseling, etc. A four day event, the Saturday agenda begins with a parade through Vista to the Green Oak Ranch, where everything is set up for the veterans.

The Packard Club of San Diego has offered its services and been accepted as the featured marque to carry VIP's through the parade. After the parade, cars will be on display on the grounds of Green Oak Ranch for the rest of the day

This is an event that simply cannot be missed. In addition to bringing our fine cars to support this event, our services may be tapped to assist with the day's events as needed. There will be a fly-over of vintage aircraft, a parachute jump, speakers, and entertainment at the ranch.

**When:** Saturday January 27, 2018

**Where:** City of Vista, CA

**Time:** 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. Meeting/launch point: TBD

**Cars needed:** 9-12 Packards of any model and year

**VIP's:** Vista mayor, County supervisors, NCSD Vets chair person, veterans to be named.

Sign up soon. The first dozen comers will make the cut. Call Richard Schauer at 760-740-9188 or email at: [packard1934@sbcglobal.net](mailto:packard1934@sbcglobal.net).

**FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE "UPCOMING EVENT" ON OUR  
WEBSITE OR VISIT [WWW.NCSTANDDOWN.ORG](http://WWW.NCSTANDDOWN.ORG)**



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# REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

By Richard Schauer



Congratulations to us all! As you read this we are embarking on a new life. The Packard Club of San Diego is officially the sixty-third region of Packard Automobile Classics (PAC). We have been welcomed by the president and staff of PAC. As of this writing 32 members have signed up with our new region and applications are coming in almost daily to a very happy Karl Ramsing. My thanks to all who have signed on and those of you who are about to. Do we feel any different now as PAC members? The answer should be no, our life will go on pretty much as before. Have you checked out the new Website yet? Remember, if you have not yet sent in a photo of your Packard to Mark Burnside, or if you would like to

refresh the photo showing currently, please do so!

The year 2017 ended as it began: busy. The La Jolla Christmas Parade was a wild success for our Packards (see article that follows). The crowd had a great time and gave many visible signs they enjoyed seeing the Packard Parade. The organizing team is extremely grateful and has already invited us back next December. And then there was the annual Christmas Party at the Lazy H Ranch, which is one of my personal favorite gatherings of the year (see article).

Now, we are in a brand new year. Saturday January 13, 2018 is our January Board Meeting and annual 2018 Calendar Planning meeting rolled into one. It will be held at the home of our Assistant Regional Director, Tim Pestotnik at 10:00 a.m. The meeting is open to any PAC member. If you cannot come, but have ideas of fun, interesting, or educational things to do, please send your idea(s) to any board member. In the meantime, there are already a number of events in the hopper: January 27 is the North San Diego County Veterans Stand Down in Vista, benefiting homeless veterans. March 22 through 25 is the first weekend getaway of the year at the Borrego Springs Resort. Organized by the Mercedes-Benz Club of San Diego we join with our friends in a joint tour (see article in this issue). A number of fun events are scheduled; please come if you can. Other activities you may want to note are: April - the Tremble Clefs non-profit organization benefiting Parkinson's patients is planning a second fund raiser/car show. That was a great time last year, and an event not to be missed; May 27 - the Fallbrook Car Show, this year being held at the Pala Mesa Resort in the North County. Packard and Porsche are the two chosen marques for the show. We are looking for a minimum of 14 Packards to sign up. Look for a flier coming soon in the Predictor. Once again, we have an exclusive offer to support the Coronado 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade *Avenue of the Heroes*. My wish is some new members come forward to participate. This is an unforgettable event, where our Packards have the honor of carrying esteemed WWII veterans down Orange Avenue. These are but a few the exciting events to expect this year. Please come to the planning meeting or send in your ideas!

Without further ado let's get on with our 2018 activities and have fun with our friends and Packards.





# Christmas Party at the Lazy H

Richard Schauer



Our traditional Christmas Party at the Lazy H is the ceremonial end of the touring year event. The family and staff welcomed us in their usual warm yet professional style. I hugged chief server and daughter of the owner Heather only to discover it was NOT Heather. She has a twin sister named Laura. Ha! All these years and I never knew that. So we enjoyed DOUBLE the wonderful service.

It seemed like fires were consuming Southern California that week of December. Phil and Heather Pizzuto were evacuated and living in a Carlsbad maintenance yard in their motor home. "Evelyn" sat quietly in their garage waiting out the maelstrom. All ended well, but we did not know it then. They took time out to come to the Christmas luncheon, which pleased everyone, and their best Christmas present of all was the okay to return to their undamaged home!



Table is set and the group is ready for some Prime Rib.

Our Organizer in Chief Steve Ross could not attend as he was called to Missouri to deal with urgent family business, so infinitely capable wife Carol took over and did a great job decorating the John Wayne room and handling all the many details. This year we certainly did not need the fireplace or heaters. Several members brought their Packards, one exception being Jim and Catherine Woolsey driving Catherine's beautiful 1930 Pierce Arrow sedan, Tim Pestotnik behind the wheel of his '34 Packard 8 convertible, Tom O'Hara cruising up in his 1934 Dietrich convertible sedan, Karen and Richard Schauer in their '34 8 sedan (notice the '34 cars dominated

the field), Brian Wagner in his 1940 sedan, Marjo Miller and Dion Dyer in her 1948 Station Sedan, and new members Ron and Patricia Dempsey driving their 1949 2206 Custom Sedan. Mark Burnside and his 1955 Packard Clipper ("Elvira") represented the last decade of Packard production. The Lazy H was extremely busy that day, so many of us parked in the "North 40", but that was alright. Other attendees driving their Brand-X cars included Ron Steffey and daughter Jennifer, Rick Habicht (who started out driving his '37 LeBaron Town Car, but road closures due to the fire forced him back to get his normal car), Karl and Peggy Ramsing, Paul and Kathy Santy, Mike and Patricia Adams, Phil and Heather Pizzuto, and Gary Marchetti. Everyone was in such good spirits, punctuated by much laughter and sharing of stories.

Before long it was 1:00 and time to sit down for a sumptuous lunch. I still believe Lazy H has the best Prime Rib in the county, but that's one man's opinion. While the table was being cleared it was time for speeches. No one has ever called me short on words, but I did make an attempt to keep it short and stick to a few key points. First and most importantly we welcomed Ron and Patricia Dempsey, their first appearance at a club event since joining. Ron recently retired from a career in aerospace; no doubt the club will be able to fill many happy hours of his time. Then an update was given on our status petitioning for membership with PAC. All the paperwork was completed and submitted on December 8. It was received by Bob Teller, VP of Regions at PAC, and the San Diego Packard Club was officially welcomed as the newest region of Packard Automobile Classics on December 13, 2017. No problem running a bit ahead of schedule, is there? The official turn-on for our new website, however, is January 1, 2018. The year 2017 was indeed a year of "firsts", with many new and interesting events and tours. This makes me proud, for we work hard to ensure our club never becomes stale.



Back to camera: Rick Habicht, Brian, Tom and Tim. Across table Mike & Patti Adams, Marjo, Dion, Kathy and Paul Santy. Marjo is giving a shout out to Tim.



Past President Mark Burnside gave an update on the status of our new website. Members who have not yet emailed Mark a nice photo of their Packard(s) are encouraged to do so. It seems as though only about 30% of our members' car photos can be seen in the SHOWROOM portion of our website. Please help us close the gap on this by sending in a nice shot or two of your Packard.

Mark Burnside telling us about the new website as (l to R) Karl & Peggy Ramsing Mike & Patti Adams and Marjo and Dion listen up



Jim Woolsey saying: "The steak was at least this big."



Table stacked with Christmas joy to be selected, exchanged and---

With business concluded it was time for the annual gift exchange. Many consider this to be the highlight of the event. It is a gimmick exchange, as you may recall, where gifts can be "stolen" twice. Well, everything started off very civilized and polite, for about the first six or seven gifts, and then the thefts started. Of course that is the most fun part, seeing who will end up with what gift. And there are always many very nice gifts. The two "hard luck" cases during the gift exchange were Mark Burnside and Dion Dyer, who were likely tied for first in terms of selecting and then losing their gifts. They had the sympathy of the crowd, but that did not slow down the thefts. It was all in good fun and many laughs were enjoyed. Around 4:00 everyone took their leave, bidding each other a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Tom O'Hara greets Brian as he arrives with a gift. He may be doing the pledge of allegiance as well



Karl Ramsing getting his photo op with Gary Marchetti, Mike & Patti Adams and Past President Mark Burnside.



Paul Santy, Ron Steffey, Jennifer Steffey and Regional Director Richard Schauer. Jennifer and Richard look serious. May be concerned about the gift exchange



Mike Adams takes Mark's Darrin



Carol checks out Catherine's gift



Dion makes his fourth trip to the table. Nope he ain't smiling this trip





Past President Phil Pizzuto takes a skeptical view of his Packard Stock.



Patti and Mark look on as Karen says to Marjo, "Let me see that purse again." Dion is enjoying the scene.



Ron Steffey takes Carol's bourbon. Don't try this at home!!



Catherine, Marjo and Jim sharing a happy, joyful moment, probably before the gift exchange.



Patricia & Ronald Dempsey, Karen Schauer, Peggy Ramsing and Gary Marchetti



Left to right: Tim Pestotnik, Catherine & Jim Woolsey, Tom O'Hara, Rick Habicht, Jennifer Steffey, and Richard Schauer.



With fork poised pensively, Phil listens to the gift exchange rules. Mark goes over the rules with Marjo. Dion enjoys his Prime Rib little knowing how many times he will go to the table. Gary, Mike and Patti are paying attention it appears.



Carol has an electrifying effect on Tim, apparently.



***OUR DESIGNATED DRIVER  
FOR THE DAY.  
LOOKS LIKE LUKE BUT IT  
WAS NOT HIM.***

***Sorry if you missed the party***

# La Jolla Christmas Parade

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Richard Schauer



Richard, Karen and Carol leading the parade



Bob Vallera  
Military Marshall



Carol Ross decorating the 34  
Dietrich



Once again the Packard Club of San Diego came to the rescue. Well, the situation certainly was not grim, but parade organizer Ann Kerr badly needed more cars to escort the long list of dignitaries for the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual La Jolla Christmas Parade. With the help of John Shannon, Ann and I spoke, the result of which was the Parade of Packards, an answer to her prayer. We were very glad to be of service. Unlike 2016 where we endured a very wet December the day of the parade was clear, cool, and bright. Five club members stepped up to offer their Packards, including Rick Habicht with his 1937 LeBaron Town Car, Mark Burnside with Elvira, Steve and Carol Ross driving Buttercup, Tom O'Hara with his '34 Dietrich Convertible Sedan, and Richard and Karen Schauer in their '34 Eight sedan. The event coordinators at the staging area were most welcoming and cordial, and a box lunch was available to us, their thanks for us helping them out. Changes always happen at the last minute, so Rick Habicht escorted county supervisor Ron Roberts. Then Rick was hit on to drive through again, this time with the Grand Marshall, Rick DiBella, owner of the La Valencia Hotel. Mark Burnside escorted Dr. Henrik I. Christensen, UCSD, head of the Engineering Department's robotics department, and a world renowned authority on robotics. Steve Ross escorted Robert "Bob" Vallera, a WWII US Army veteran. Bob was an Army Pathfinder going in ahead of the landing force for the D-Day invasion of Normandy. Bob was captured by the SS and spent several months as a POW. Tom O'Hara's car was packed with 9 people and a dog, everyone having a great time. My car was supposed to drive California Senator Toni Atkins, but at the last minute she was called to a meeting resulting in her dropping out.

The parade was thoroughly enjoyable. Fifteen marching bands participated. The Allen Airways Museum arranged a flyover of early 20<sup>th</sup> century vintage bi-wing aircraft. Many colorful floats thrilled the crowd who packed the sidewalks along the mile long route. Clowns and equestrians also added to the colorful afternoon. The collector cars were interspersed evenly throughout the parade. All told, the parade did not take up a lot of our day, with us meeting at noon to receive our instructions and decorate our cars, and by 3:00 we were finished and on our way home. We are selective about which parades we do each year, and my vote goes to La Jolla for a repeat.





**Mark Burnside and Elvira**

A big Thank You to Carol Ross, who brought enough ornaments and decorations to adorn all of our cars! The surprise of the day goes to Rick Habicht. Another fellow who brought his collector car to the parade was admiring Rick's LeBaron Town Car when he noticed that the steering column was missing the inner ring. "Oh, I have that!" he said, to Rick's complete astonishment. Rick had been searching for that hard to find part for some time. Shaking our heads in wonder we all offered up that one never knows what will happen when car people get together.



**Tom O'Hara with his co-pilot**



**Rick Habicht ready to head out**



**Elvira is ready to go as Mark looks on. One of the many Queens or Princesses decorates a Caddie for the parade.**



**Rick Habicht's 1937 LeBaron Town Car. Is this Packard a show stopper or what?**



## MEMBERS' CORNER

### FOR SALE



This 1955 Packard Patrician is a candidate for restoration. All the parts are there, frame is straight and the car is relatively rust free. This was the top of the line for Packard in 1955 and has the new Packard V8 engine for 1955. **ASKING \$1500.** Call Ray Mercado at 619-947-2202 for more information. If no answer please leave a message



1948 327 Packard engine for sale, complete rebuild, nothing left untouched, call for details, Mark Ballerini 760 473-4224



1956 Packard Clipper Custom. 28,753 original miles, original interior, paint is 3 years old. Mechanic owned and runs excellent. New air conditioner added and works perfectly. Call for more details. Located in Orange, CA. Call Eddy at 949-929-3277, \$22,000



1931 Packard Standard Eight, Model 826. Was fully restored in 2005. Has won several awards when shown. Many spare parts and full documentation regarding the restoration. Located in Oceanside. Please call if you have questions or for further details. Asking \$34,000. Bill Freed. Cell (760) 525-4100.

**GOT SOMETHING TO SELL, TRADE, GET RID OF OR A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT---JUST LET US KNOW**



# THE PACKARD CLUB

## PACKARD AUTOMOBILE CLASSICS, INC.

Founded 1953



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
 (The name in the left blank is the primary member for voting and holding office. If spouses name is listed, publications will be addressed to both and each will receive a membership card with the membership number of the primary member.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Information for Directory: Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Office: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

May we list your email and phone numbers in the Directory? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Packards Owned (Not required for membership) May we list your Packards in the Directory? ☐ Yes ☐ No

May we forward your vehicle information on to the Club's Roster Keepers? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please refer to reference articles in the club handbook for correct Chassis and Body numbers. \*Engine # and Firewall # are not published, but used only for committee use.

Year	Chassis #	Body Type #	Body type description	Engine #	Firewall #

You may enclose a photograph of your car if you have one you can spare. More Packards? Check here ☐ and continue on a separate sheet.

Membership dues include a year's subscription to *The Packard Cormorant* (quarterly) and a year's subscription to *The Cormorant News Bulletin* (monthly), available only with membership. New memberships begin with the current *The Cormorant News Bulletin* and run for four quarters of publications. Membership renewal notices are mailed in the month in which you joined.

Dues information: Please check one: ☐ New ☐ Renewal

<input type="checkbox"/> Regular membership USA	\$40.00 per year - USA
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular membership Canada	\$45.00 per year Canada
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular membership Mexico	\$55.00 per year Mexico
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas membership	\$55.00 per year (surface mail)
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas membership	\$75.00 per year (air mail)
<input type="checkbox"/> Life membership (domestic only)	\$1000.00 (one payment)

Please make check or money order payable to *The Packard Club* and mail to the address below.

Dues Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Optional Patron Amount\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Optional Proving Ground Amount\*\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Amount \_\_\_\_\_

\*Patron Members are those who make an optional contribution of at least \$10.00 in addition to dues to help *The Packard Club* improve its publications and other services. (Not tax deductible)

\*\*Proving Grounds contributions are forwarded to The Packard Motor Car Foundation to be applied to the restoration of The Packard Proving Grounds Historic Site. (Tax deductible. \$100 and over receive receipt.)

**THE PACKARD CLUB**  
 c/o Cornerstone Registration, Ltd.  
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 Maple Grove, MN 55311-6715  
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VISA/MC Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## Packard Club of San Diego

- Founded in 1975 -

(Packard ownership not required for membership)

Packard Club of San Diego Website: [www.packardsandiego.com](http://www.packardsandiego.com)

PAC National Website: [www.packardclub.org](http://www.packardclub.org)



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse/joint member: \_\_\_\_\_

(If a spouse or joint member is listed, the club roster will show both names and each will receive a membership name badge. For all regional elections and ballot issues, each membership [or household] is allowed one vote.)

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Res): \_\_\_\_\_ (Bus): \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_

OK to list your email and phone numbers in the local region (San Diego) roster? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Packards Owned (Not required for membership) OK to list your Packards in the local region (San Diego) roster? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please refer to reference articles in the club handbook (or consult <http://packardinfo.com/xoops/html/modules/modelinfo/>) for correct Chassis and Body numbers.

Year	Chassis #	Body #	Body type description

(NOTE: If more than 3 Packards, please check here ☐ and continue list on reverse side).

How did you become interested in the Packard automobile (i.e.; parents owned one, friend has one, enjoy classic cars, etc.)?

I am interested in:

(Check as many as apply)

☐ Helping organize tours & events

☐ Providing technical assistance

☐ Serving on a committee

☐ Attending swap meets

☐ Writing articles for the newsletter

☐ Participating in local tours & caravans

☐ Participating in classic car shows

☐ Attending club membership meetings

☐ Participating in national tours & caravans

☐ Driving tours with my Packard

☐ Purchasing a Packard

☐ Selling my Packard

Please check one: ☐ New Member of Packard Club of San Diego ☐ Renewal

Please check one: ☐ I am already a member of the PAC National Club ☐ I am also joining the National Club (PAC)

MUST CHECK: ☐ I release Packard Club of San Diego from any liability arising from participation in any Packard Club of San Diego events.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Packard Club of San Diego Membership features: 12 monthly newsletters per year (*The Predictor*); Scheduled Packard Driving Tours & Caravans; and Classic Car Shows  
PAC National Membership features: 3 National Meets per year; 4 quarterly color magazines per year (*The Packard Cormorant*), 12 monthly publications (*The Cormorant News Bulletin*)

Membership Dues: \$15/year for Packard Club of San Diego\*

Mail completed form with payment to: Packard Club of San Diego  
P.O. Box 503605  
San Diego, CA 92150-3605

\* You must be a member of the National PAC club in order to join Packard Club of San Diego

# NEW REGION - NEW WEBSITE

by Mark Burnside, Webmaster



On January 1<sup>st</sup> we officially became the Packard Club of San Diego. Along with our new name and new parent club, we have a new website with a completely new look. There's a lot of new stuff in the website; this article will walk you through the new features and capabilities that exist.

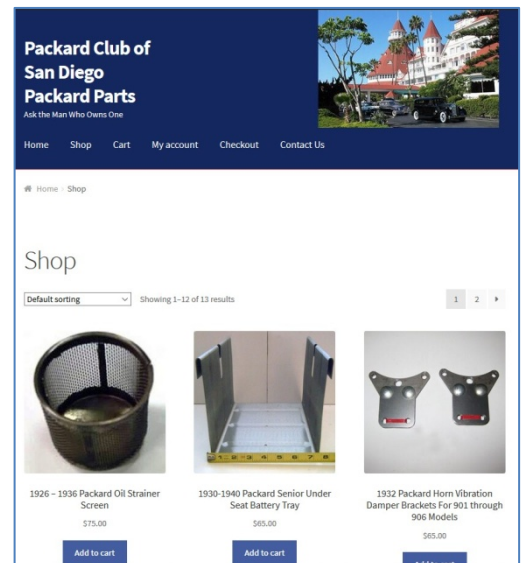
**How to view the new site:** There is no change to the web address (URL): <http://www.PackardSanDiego.com>. Feel free to click on this address now or type it into your browser. Here's a list of the additions and major changes:

## HOME PAGE

- A **Carousel** of featured club Packards on the home page (pictures will be changed out on a regular basis) - located half-way down page on the right side. (more on this below)
- An all-new Member Car **Showroom**. (accessible below the **Carousel**). If your car isn't there, or you don't like the picture, now's the time to submit a new one. From the **Showroom** you can access **videos** of our motorcars in motion.
- Updated **Resources** link to Packard-related websites. (lower left-hand corner of home page)
- Summary of **last month's tour** and preview of **next month's tour**. (lower center of home page)
- A **Members Only** page (lower right hand corner of the Home page) accessible by password only (Hint: the password is the name of our monthly newsletter: one word, first letter capitalized.) The Members Only Page features:
  - ◆ Current month's **Predictor**.
  - ◆ **History** of our region. (including two fascinating articles on the history and founders of our club)
  - ◆ Most current **Roster** of club members.
  - ◆ Directory of **Board** members. (with pictures of board members and their Packards with contact information)
  - ◆ Packard Club of San Diego By-laws.
  - ◆ Other stuff of interest as needed.

## OTHER PAGES

- **CALENDAR** - "New look" with a list of activities coming up in 2018. Many events have links to other pages for more information.
- **NEWSLETTER** - Online back-Issues of our monthly magazine the "*Predictor*" - every issue back to September 2005 (12+ years)!!
- **PROJECT PARTS** - a major overhaul occurred here. Paul Santy's Project Parts dept is now completely on-line allowing for a convenient shopping experience. Payments may be made via PayPal or check. At right is a snapshot of what our new **Store** looks like.
- **VENDOR LIST** - Still under construction; the list is outdated and needs to be brought current. Paul Santy is hard at work making the updates and the new page will be included as soon as it's ready.
- **MEMBERSHIP** - A new format with downloadable updated Regional and PAC National applications.
- **CONTACT** - A new **CONTACT US** page that allows visitors to ask questions, indicate interests, etc.



Back to the **Carousel** of Packards on the **Home Page**. We plan to rotate these cars quarterly, so everyone has the opportunity to have their Packard on display. The goal is to have a proportionate representation of Pre- and Post-war cars, open and closed each quarter.

So, for the quarter beginning March 1st, I would like to open the Carousel to Packards (a) of new members (who joined in either 2017 or 2018), or (b) any member who acquired a "new" Packard in 2016, 2017 or 2018. Please email your pictures to [info@packardsandiego.com](mailto:info@packardsandiego.com) by February 15, 2018. No pictures of cars under restoration, on a flatbed, or with hoods up, please!



## DID YOU KNOW??



No one took a shot at the offer for a free membership in our club. The mystery car is a 1900 Model C Packard. Powered by a one cylinder 12 HP engine this was the first Packard to have a steering wheel and I believe the first American automobile to have a steering wheel in place of the tiller, and it had an electric powered light!. Top speed was advertised to be 25 MPH, with top down I bet. This Packard is located at the Off Brothers collection in Richland MI. Eighty two of this model were produced and only five still exist.



1914, Dodge Brothers build the first automobile to be made of all steel and no wood.



As demonstrated here, termites do not eat up a Dodge.

The 1914 Dodge Brothers Automobile was inventive and ahead of its time in many ways. It was a 35 HP Touring Car with four doors and front mounted engine driving the rear wheels via a three speed manual transmission. It had a pressurized fuel system, lateral leaf springs at each wheel, a 12-volt electrical system, and electric starting. The frame was all steel - no wood. Selling price was \$785 versus a Ford for \$490. A new Packard would start off at around \$4,000 and they were made of wood!

## AND THAT'S ALL I KNOW

## 2018 Calendar of Events

Listed below is the 2018 Calendar of officially sponsored events by the Packard Club of San Diego. Also included are National events as sponsored by PAC or one of its regions. At our 2018 Calendar Planning meeting on January 13, 2018 we will decide on the remaining activities that will fill out and complete the calendar. You must be a member of PAC to participate in PAC officially sponsored events. Events that may be of interest to our members, but not sponsored by PAC or the Packard Club of San Diego are also included. These events are listed in *italics*.

[Click on any of the event descriptions shown in blue text to see more information about the event.](#)

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TOUR DIRECTOR
JAN	13	Planning Meeting for the 2018 Calendar	Home of Tim Pestotnik	Packard Club Board
	27	<a href="#">North SD County Veterans' Stand Down</a>	Vista, CA	Richard Schauer
FEB	11	<i>P.I. Swap Meet</i>	<i>Hyatt-Regency, Newport Beach, CA</i>	On Your Own
MAR	23-25	Combined Tour with Mercedes-Benz Club	Borrego Springs, CA	Steve Ross
APR				
MAY				
JUN		Packard/Pierce-Arrow Night at Cruisin' Grand	Escondido, CA	Mark Burnside
JUL	1-6	53rd PAC National Meet	Columbus, OH	Wabash Valley Packards
AUG				
SEP				
OCT	14-19	11th Henry B. Joy Tour	French Lick, IN	
NOV				
DEC	TBD	<a href="#">Packard Club of San Diego Christmas Party</a>	Valley Center, CA	Steve Ross